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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Reserve Forces Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board will take place.

**DATES:** The Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB) will hold a meeting on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 from 7:55 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 7:55 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. will be closed to the public. The portion of the meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. will be open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The RFPB meeting address is the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alexander Sabol, (703) 681-0577 (Voice), 703-681-0002 (Facsimile), Alexander.J.Sabol.Civ@Mail.Mil (Email). Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041. Website: <http://rfpb.defense.gov/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website and the Federal Register.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Designated Federal Officer, the Reserve Forces Policy Board was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning the meeting on March 7, 2018, of the Reserve Forces Policy Board. Accordingly, the Advisory

Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

**Purpose of the Meeting:** The purpose of the meeting is to obtain, review, and evaluate information related to strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Reserve Components.

**Agenda:** The RFPB will hold a meeting from 7:55 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 7:55 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. will be closed to the public and will consist of remarks to the RFPB from following invited speakers: the National Defense University (NDU), Center for Strategic Research, Distinguished Research Fellow will discuss NDU's review of the National Defense Strategy and the integration of the Reserve Components' forces within the strategy; the Under Secretary of the Air Force will discuss the Air Force's posture, the status on the Report of the National Commission on the Structure of the Air Force recommendations, and plans to adapt the Total Air Force to meet future challenges; the Institute for Defense Analysis (IDA) will continue briefing the findings of the current IDA study on the Reserve Components performance during Operation Enduring Freedom; the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness will discuss the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness' goals, and updates on Reserve Component personnel system reforms currently under consideration; the Special Assistant to the Director of the Army National Guard will discuss the Army National Guard goals, readiness objectives, and challenges for the "Operational Reserve" as part of the Total Force; and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Global Security will discuss the role of the National Guard and Reserve in meeting future challenges related to

Homeland Defense. The portion of the meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. will be open to the public and will consist of briefings from the following: the Chair of the RFPB's Subcommittee on Supporting & Sustaining Reserve Component Personnel will provide an update to the RFPB on the subcommittee's proposed recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning the OUSD P&R Duty Status Reform proposal and the co-sponsored National Guard Bureau's and OASD Manpower & Reserve Affairs Reserve Integration's study on Reserve Component Travel Pay; the Chair of the RFPB's Subcommittee on Enhancing DoD's Role in the Homeland will provide an update to the RFPB on the subcommittee's proposed recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning the Department of Defense support of civil authorities, FEMA requirements, the integration of the Reserve Component DoD's Cyber Mission Force, and other Homeland issues; and a member of the Subcommittee on Ensuring a Ready, Capable, Available and Sustainable Operational Reserve will provide an update to the RFPB on the subcommittee's proposed recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning the Air Reserve Component (ARC2 Mission) innovation for utilization and process improvements of the Reserves within the US Air Force.

**Meeting Accessibility:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(1) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and subject to the availability of space, the meeting is open to the public from 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Mr. Alex Sabol, the Designated Federal Officer, not later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, as listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section to make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance at 1:30 p.m. to provide sufficient time to complete security screening to attend the beginning of the Open Meeting at 2:00 p.m. on March 7. To complete the security screening, please be prepared

to present two forms of identification. One must be a picture identification card. In accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the DoD has determined that the portion of this meeting scheduled to occur from 7:55 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), in coordination with the Department of Defense FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because it is likely to disclose classified matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

**Written Statements:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, interested persons may submit written statements to the RFPB about its approved agenda or at any time on the RFPB's mission. Written statements should be submitted to the RFPB's Designated Federal Officer at the address, email, or facsimile number listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. If statements pertain to a specific topic being discussed at the planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than five (5) business days prior to the meeting in question. Written statements received after this date may not be provided to or considered by the RFPB until its next meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submitted written statements and provide copies to all the RFPB members before the meeting that is the subject of this notice. Please note that since the RFPB operates under the provisions of the FACA, all submitted comments and public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the RFPB's Web site.

Dated: February 27, 2018.

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